

September 1995 Newsletter

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Late Summer Greetings!

and apologies for Newsletter delay--I literally just got home (haven't unpacked). I hope you all are enjoying your summers! Mine was a truly special one because I introduced our youngest son Shawn to New Zealand and Australia for a month, and just now returned from teaching in Vermont and two more weeks vacation in Maine. I figure I blew over 55 rolls of film on the first trip and 30 on the second!

V.I.P. Our first meeting will be held Monday Sept. 11, 7:30 pm at the Somerset County Library and it will be a watercolor demo by Al Grafke. A great way to start the season--Al is well-known and has received many awards and.....Al is also willing to raffle off his demo painting, so a lucky RVAA member will own a Grafke (and half the proceeds go to RVAA)

During the summer the Somerset County Cultural and Heritage Commission had a show of RVAA members (couple of paintings each) in their Gallery in the Somerset County Administration Building in Somerville. The show featured Linda Arnold, Ed Golubiewski, Doris Haines, Elsa Herrmann, Tomi Higgins, Diana W. Patton, Elizabeth Ryman, and Art Trippanera.

We are very sorry that long time RVAA member Richard Ireland died on August 15th. We'll always remember Dick as an excellent artist (with many awards to his credit) and a good friend, especially to RVAA. He made our first big Holiday Sale sign for our Dec. library show and, until recently, ALWAYS filled in those slots when no one could show sit. I used to see him sometimes health hiking at the Mall when I was doing the same.

September means RVAA membership dues are DUE. So please send them to our Membership Chairwoman Linda Arnold at 75 Church Street, Liberty Corner, N.J. 07938. Individual= \$18; Family= \$28; Student (through h.s.) = \$10. You'd hate to miss our demos and shows!

Note: some of you are wondering where to find out about art shows to enter--in addition to local newspapers, the overall tri-state area is well covered by a newspaper called CULTURAL EVENTS OF NJ; it cost \$11. per year, covers crafts, and other cult. events as well, and can be

reached at 201-670-6002, or 429 Quackenbush Place, Ridgewood, NJ., 07450-2120.

MEMBERS IN THE NEWS

Linda Arnold received Honorable Mention at Jane Law's Long Beach Island Art Studios & Gallery show entitled "Watercolor LBI". The show was judged by AWS and NJWS member Robert Sakson.

RVAA member Anne Hand, who writes the Hunterdon Watercolor Society's Newsletter, is nice enough to pass it on to me and she notes that at the Doylestown Art League Open Juried Show 1995 RVAA member Corrine Kenney won the Grumbacher gold Medallion and \$100. Merchandise Certificate for her pastel "Grandad's Racing Silks".

Helen Maier had two one-woman exhibits this summer, at the Provident Bank in Dunellen and United National Bank in North Branch.

And so, happy late summer and enjoy the outdoor painting time!